

Protective Order Committee  
Judicial Conference of Indiana

**Minutes**

November 2, 2001

The Protective Order Committee met at the Supreme Court Chambers in Indianapolis on Friday, November 2, 2001 from 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon for a public hearing and from 12:30 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. at the Indiana Judicial Center.

1. Members present. Tammy Baitz, Linda Brown, David H. Coleman, Robert E. Lybrook, Chris D. Monroe, Sarah Taylor, Jerry L. Ummel, and John W. Forcum, Chair
2. Staff present. Jeffrey Bercovitz and Tom Jones provided the committee with staff assistance.
3. Others present. Senior Judge Ruth Reichard also attended the meeting.
4. Minutes approved. The minutes for the committee meeting on September 12, 2001 were approved.
5. Indiana Civil Protective Order Act.
  - a. The committee held a public hearing from 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon in the Supreme Court Chambers and received comments from the public about the draft Indiana Civil Protective Order Act. Mr. Bercovitz distributed a copy of the September 21 draft and comments received to date to the members of the committee.
  - b. Judge Reichard distributed a letter from the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges inviting Indiana to become a Model Code state. Judge Reichard explained this would permit speakers and technical assistance at no cost to Indiana. The committee members agreed to become a model code state by consensus.
  - c. The committee members continued meeting at the Indiana Judicial Center from 12:30 – 4:15 p.m. They reviewed all written comments and those made at the public hearing and made various changes in the draft.
  - d. The committee agreed to post the revised draft on the web, have Judge Forcum, Chair, contact the Chief Justice about (1) becoming a model code state and (2) seeking legislative sponsors for the draft, and start work on protective order forms at the next meeting.
6. Next meeting dates. Committee members agreed meet at the following times: Friday, November 30, 2001 from 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Wednesday, Jan. 23, and Wednesday, February 27, 2001 from 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. in order to meet with legislators; and Friday, March 22, 2002 from 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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